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Richard L. Stone
C/O Jay Gatto
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Re: Change in Operator Status, Richard L. Stone, Unique Minerals #1 Mine, S/027/074, Millard County, Utah

Dear Mr. Stone:

It has been brought to our attention that we may have the operator name for the Unique Minerals #1 small mine listed incorrectly in our database records. When you initially submitted your Notice to Commence Small Mining Operations, the operator was listed as Richard L. Stone. In annual reports, and correspondence which has been received subsequent to the original notice, you have listed Unique Minerals, Inc. as the operator of this mining project. Because the address and phone was the same for Unique Minerals, Inc. as for Richard L. Stone, we changed our database records to indicate Unique Minerals, Inc. as the operator.

Since this was brought to our attention, we have been advised by our legal counsel that it was incorrect for us to just change the operator name. Because the original notice listed the operator as Richard L. Stone, it must remain so, unless there was an error in the original filing. In that case, you may send a letter amending the original Notice stating there was an error when filling out the original notice, and it should have always been listed as Unique Minerals, Inc. However, if Richard L. Stone as an individual operator, now wishes to change all assets to Unique Minerals, Inc., then a formal permit transfer needs to be completed to accomplish this task. We have enclosed a Transfer of Notice of Intention form (MR-TRS) for this purpose, if that is your preference.

We have changed our database records back to Richard L. Stone as operator. If you have any concerns or questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5286. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our records accurate.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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Enclosure: MR-TRS
cc: Kurt Seel, AAG
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